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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, December 24, 2021.

The victim has been identified as: Jesse James Valone, (29), W/M, of Greenville, South Carolina.

At approximately 11:55 a.m., West Precinct officers were dispatched to the 2800 block of 30th Street Southwest on report of a suspicious vehicle. Officers arrived on the scene and observed a silver Dodge pickup truck parked on the street. Upon further investigation, officers observed a male who was unresponsive in the vehicle suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased.

Details are limited in this investigation. Currently, there is no one in custody.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

This is Birmingham's 114th murder investigation of 2021 with 14 justifiable death

Investigations). The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations into the total homicide investigations counts.

The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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